

Option Team/Student/Parent Meeting

The meeting will include a discussion of the educational alternatives available to the student, the academic, attendance and behavioral expectations of the student once in the program, the anticipated goal of the program, and the services to be provided. It must be very clear to both student and parent that if the student is unsuccessful in this program the only options left are – returning to grade level prior to entering the Option Pathway program or enrolling in Option 3. Parents should also be aware this program may not be available in another county or state if the student would transfer.

It must be stressed at this meeting that **this program is voluntary and cannot be mandatory** if a student or parent does not want the student to participate. It is a Pathway choice **offered** to an at-risk student.

The parent agrees to obtain for the student a West Virginia ID, other government issued ID or school ID to be used as identification to sit for the HSEA. Students will not be allowed to sit for the test unless proper ID is presented. The student must select a concentration related to the students' career interest and be informed of the following:

- Per Policy 2510, the student must complete a WVDE approved career and technical concentration or a local concentration with four courses focused on career aspirations that align with the student's Personalized Education Plan (PEP). **Note:** Local concentrations must have four related courses approved by the local board of education.
- A mentor teacher will assist the Option student in selecting a concentration.
- Once a program is selected, the student is informed of all courses required for completion and the timeline for completing the courses.
- Students in an approved CTE concentration must fulfill all CTE requirements, such as portfolio requirements and any other designated assessments or certifications.

The *Student/Parent Application and Contract* must be discussed and signed at this meeting.

Meeting highlights are:

- Academic, attendance and behavioral expectations
- Students should obtain and bring a West Virginia ID prior to admittance into the program or use the school ID
- Student must select a concentration related to career interests
- Discuss importance of student completing all aspects of the program

- Discuss and sign contracts

Note: Once the Option Team/Student/Parent meeting has taken place and the *Student/Parent Application and Contract* has been signed, the student should be identified in WVEIS on the Web (WOW) through the use of the Option Pathway attribute. (See *Alternative Means to Earn High School Credit, Appendix 10* for instructions on how to identify Option students in WVEIS.)